

#### Student Financial Assistance

E-Sign Master Promissory Note February 14, 2001

# E-Note: Why now?

- E-sign legislation (effective July 2001)
  - applies to FFEL
  - requires standards be in place
- GPEA (effective 2003)
  - applies to Direct Loan
- Implementing in July 2001 allows SFA to
  - apply standards
  - support FFEL process by allowing PIN usage
  - keep Direct Loan competitive
- Interoperability with SFA partners

# E-Sign Master Promissory Note - Scope and Benefits -

#### Current Environment:

- Paper intensive
- High storage costs
- Error prone
- Redundant data entry
- Many possible points of failure

#### ■ Future Environment

- Electronic (web based) Process
- Lower print/storage costs
- Increased borrower control
- Consistent borrower view
- On-line access
- Leverage existing PIN
- BORROWER CHOICE

## What we will do

- Phase I (now through July 2002)
  - design/implement operate process (including PIN site, e-note, home page, and storage)
  - study results of production
- Phase II (begins October 1,2001)
  - review cost savings opportunities
  - develop DCS interface
  - refine process, including move to ERM and sizing of systems
  - integrate with COD

# **Additional E-Sign Benefits**

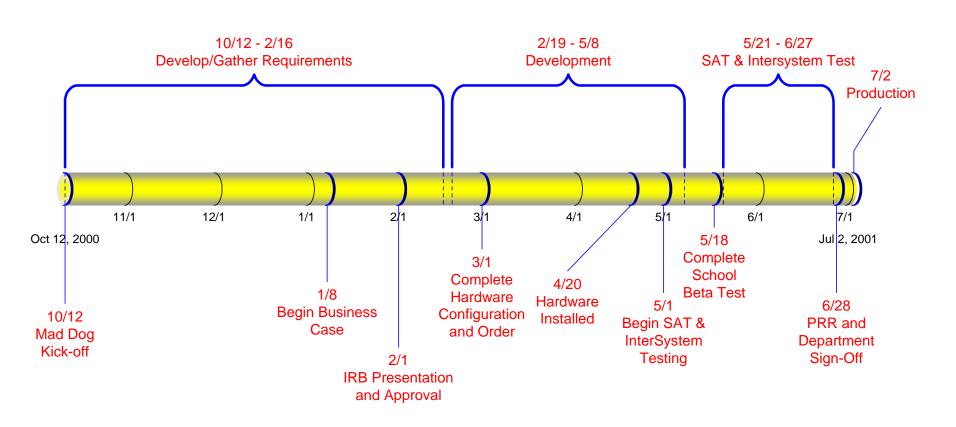
- Establish standards for FFEL and Direct Loans
- SFA Victory! List
  - Cornerstone of electronic processing
  - Standards for eCommerce
- Schools
  - Integrated streamlined process
  - Decreased time and resources
- Students
  - Supports easy access to eMPN information
  - Faster access to disbursements

# Risk Mitigation: Build A Little, Test A Little

#### Assumptions:

- Electronic Stafford Master Promissory Notes and Consolidation Notes will be implemented in July
- Electronic PLUS and Joint Consolidations will be implemented in a subsequent implementation
- The eMPN Master D/B will initially be hosted on the VDC's SAN and will be independent from LO, Servicing, CPS, etc.
- The eMPN will be stored as an "electronic record" and not as an image

# **Key Milestone Dates**



# **Direct Loan Origination**

- Operating Partner: EDS
- Functionality implementing:
  - School choice on methods of participation
  - Link from school's web site directly to note site
  - Electronic Promissory Note for student to sign
  - Borrowers can print note or save electronically
  - PIN verification and note authorization captured
  - eMPNs stored in secure database accessible to others
- Costs: \$1,000,000
- FY 2001 (funded): \$ 500,000
- FY 2001 need: none

## **Direct Loan Servicing**

- Operating Partner: ACS
- Functionality Implementing:
  - Direct Loan Home Page for students
  - Receive notification that borrower signed electronically
  - Receive references from LO for borrowers who signed electronically
  - Ability to access notes in the eMPN database
  - Ability to pass eMPN indicator to DCS
- Costs: \$500,000
- FY 2001 (funded) \$500,000
- FY 2001 need: none

## **Direct Loan Consolidation**

- Operating Partner: EDS
- Functionality Implementing:
  - Electronic Promissory Note for student to sign
  - Borrowers can print note or save electronically
  - PIN verification and note authorization captured
  - eMPNs stored in secure database accessible to others

■ Costs: \$1,000,000

■ FY 2001 need: none

### **PIN Site**

- Operating Partner: NCS
- Functionality Implemented:
  - Database changes for capturing audit information
  - Strengthen existing PIN security rules
  - Create participation management database
  - New edits for new features

■ Costs: \$1,000,000

■ FY 2001 need: \$1,000,000



- Operating Partner: CSC
- Functionality Implementing:
  - PIN site expansion to handle increased volume of hits

■ Costs: \$457,000

■ FY 2001 need: \$457,000

## **Modernization Partner**

- Modernization Partner: Accenture
- Functionality Implementing:
  - Integration/coordination
  - EAI planning

■ Costs: \$263,000

■ FY 2001 need: \$263,000

# eMPN Brings ED/SFA Financial Benefits

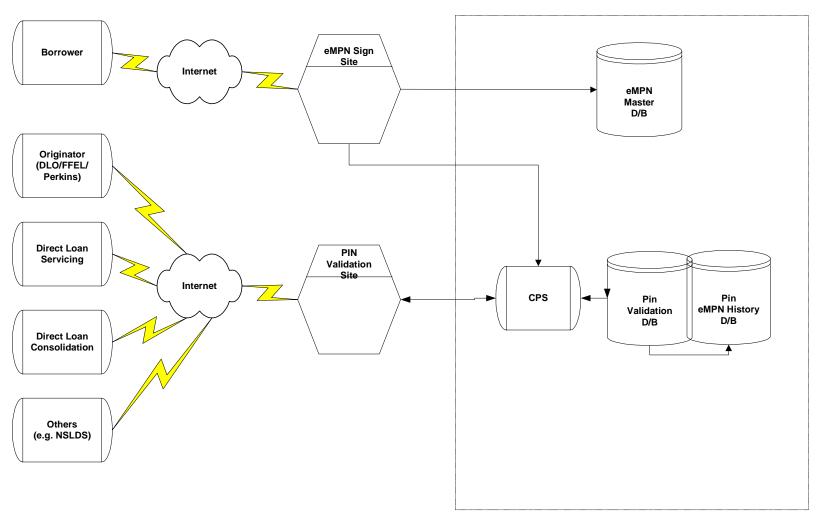
#### SFA cost reductions:

- Reduced cost for imaging and storing paper notes
- Reduced cost for printing, storing, and postage
- Reduced cost for retrieval of notes

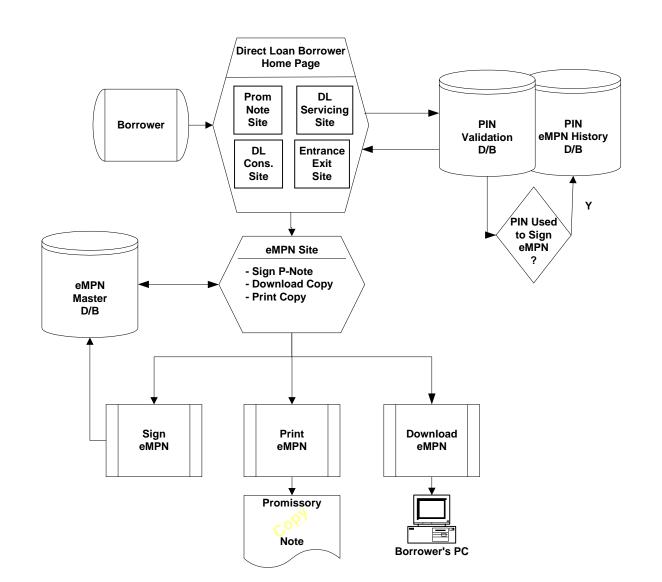
#### School cost reductions:

- Reduced cost for storing bulk note supply
- Reduced cost of mailings to students and SFA
- Reduced staff time spent "tracking down" notes

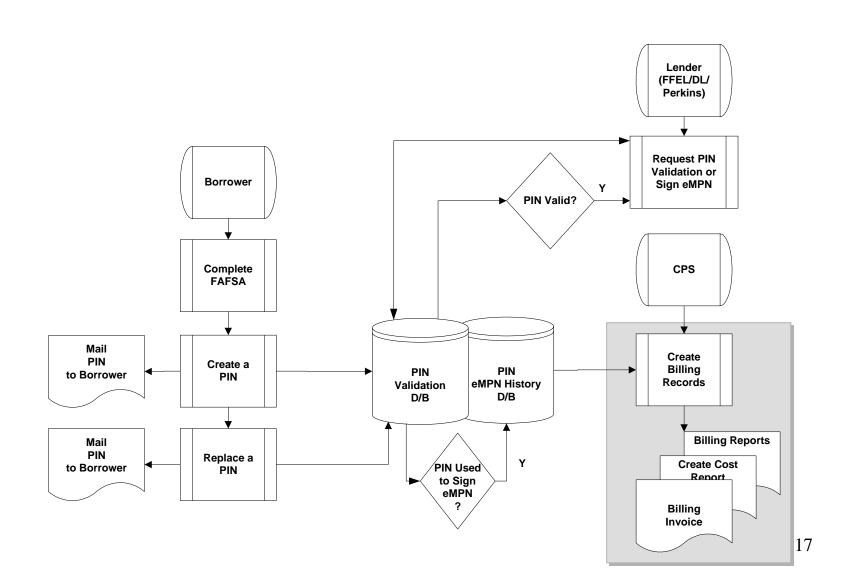
## **A High Level Overview**



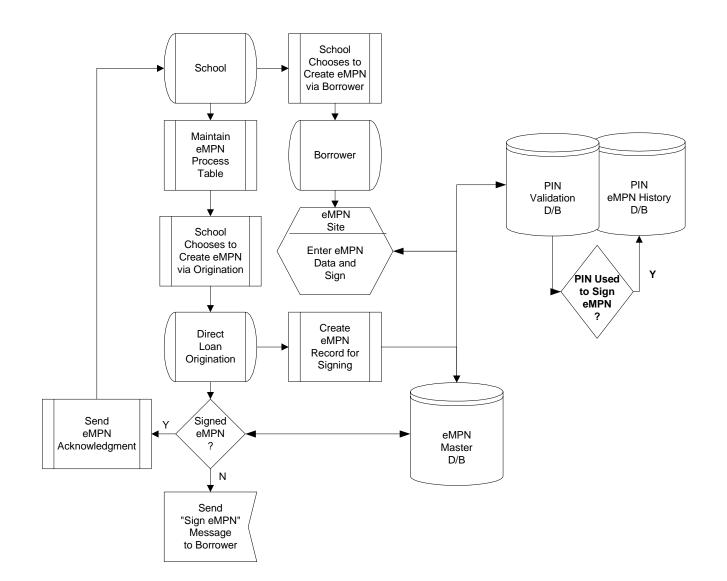
#### **A Borrower's View**



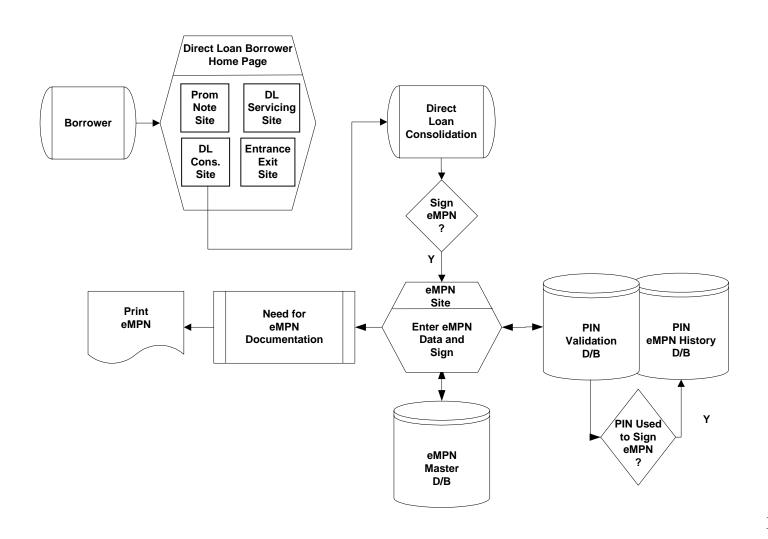
#### **CPS/FAFSA PIN View**



## **Direct Loan Origination View**



#### **Direct Loan Consolidation View**



### **Direct Loan Servicing View**

